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JAPAN, DOD FOR ASD/ISA/EAPR/JAPAN, CASD/PA, CIA WASHDC,
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SUBJECT: DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE CARLUCCI SEPTEMBER
- 28 PRESS CONFERENCE IN TOKYO

1. IN A PRESS CONFERENCE ATTENDED BY APPROXIMATELY 100 JAPANESE AND AMERICAN MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES HELD AT THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN TOKYO SEPTEMBER 28, DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FRANK CARLUCCI SAID HIS DAY-LONG TALKS WITH JAPANESE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE AGENCY OFFICIALS WERE CHARACTERIZED BY "A COMMON VIEW IN VIRTUALLY EVERY ONE OF THE AREAS DISCUSSED." THE PRESS CONFERENCE TOOK PLACE FOLLOWING MEETINGS WITH FOREIGN MINISTER SUMAO SONODA AND DEFENSE MINISTER JOJI OMURA.

2. AFTER AN INTRODUCTION BY U.S. AMBASSADOR TO JAPAN MIKE MANSFIELD, DEPUTY SECRETARY CARLUCCI MADE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT.
MY PURPOSE IN VISITING JAPAN WAS TO CONTINUE OUR STRATEGIC DIALOGUE WITH RANKING JAPANESE LEADERS AS WELL AS TO EXPLAIN THE STATUS OF OUR OWN DEFENSE BUDGET DELIBERATIONS. I EXPLAINED THAT THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION IS DETERMINED TO SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASE OUR DEFENSE EXPENDITURES TO MEET THE SOVIET THREAT. THE FY 82 DEFENSE BUDGET REPRESENTS MORE THAN A 10 PERCENT REAL INCREASE OVER THE LAST ADMINISTRATION'S DEFENSE BUDGET AND CONSTITUTES MORE THAN 5.5 PERCENT OF THE US GNP. I EXPLAINED THAT THE US WAS NOT CUTTING ITS DEFENSE BUDGET BUT THAT ITS RATE OF INCREASE WOULD BE SLIGHTLY LESS THAN PREVIOUSLY PLANNED.
- THE EXTRAORDINARY GROWTH OF THE MILITARY POWER OF THE SOVIET UNION HAS MADE IT INCUMBENT UPON ALL OF US TO INCREASE OUR EFFORTS IN THE DEFENSE FIELD. IT IS OUR STRONG BELIEF THAT NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION ON THE ARMS CONTROL ISSUE CAN BE UNDERTAKEN ONLY FROM A POSITION OF STRENGTH.
- IN MY DISCUSSIONS WITH FOREIGN MINISTER SONODA AND JDA DIRECTOR GENERAL OMURA, WE HAD AN EXCELLENT EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON DEFENSE EXPENDITURES, OUR MUTUAL ASSESSMENT OF THE GROWING SOVIET THREAT AND ON THE STATUS OF OUR EFFORTS TO STRENGTHEN MUTUAL SECURITY COOPERATION. OUR TALKS WERE FRIENDLY, FRANK AND COMPREHENSIVE, HIGHLIGHTING THE STRENGTH OF OUR BASIC RELATIONSHIP AND OUR DETERMINATION TO BUILD ON THIS SOLID FOUNDATION.
- I ALSO VISITED OUR UNITS ON OKINAWA AND WAS IMPRESSED NOT ONLY BY THEIR READINESS AND CAPABILITIES BUT BY THE EXCELLENT STATE OF US - CIVILIAN RELATIONSHIPS THERE. THIS IS MY FIRST VISIT TO JAPAN AND I AM DEEPLY APPRECIATIVE OF THE WARM RECEPTION I HAVE RECEIVED.

3. RESPONDING TO A QUESTION ABOUT THE U.S. REACTION

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TO GOJ LIMITATION OF DEFENSE SPENDING INCREASES TO 7.5 PERCENT, CARLUCCI SAID, "IT WAS NOT MY PURPOSE TO GET A COMMITMENT NOR IS IT MY PURPOSE TO ENTER INTO A DEBATE ON NUMBERS. RATHER MY PURPOSE WAS TO DISCUSS OUR MUTUAL ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES AS TWO SOVEREIGN NATIONS IN THE FACE OF THE GROWING SOVIET THREAT IN THIS PART OF THE WORLD. I WAS GREATLY ENCOURAGED CONCERNING WHAT I HEARD REGARDING COOPERATION BETWEEN THE U.S. AND JAPAN AND OUR RESPECTIVE MILITARIES."

4. ASKED ABOUT THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION'S POSITION AND POLICIES ON MUTUAL TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY IN THE DEFENSE FIELD, THE DEPUTY SECRETARY RESPONDED, WE INTEND TO PURSUE A POLICY OF ENCOURAGING A RATIONAL DIVISION OF LABOR AND WE ARE ENGAGED IN A DIALOGUE WITH JAPAN ON THIS SUBJECT SO THAT WE DON'T DUPLICATE EACH OTHERS' EFFORTS. THESE DISCUSSIONS ARE AT AN INITIAL STAGE BUT ARE PROGRESSING VERY WELL.

5. CARLUCCI SAID THAT THE CONCEPT OF "LINKAGE" IS NOT (REPEAT NOT) BEING APPLIED WITH RESPECT TO JAPANESE COOPERATION IN THE DEFENSE FIELD AND U.S.-JAPAN TRADE, AND THAT U.S.-JAPAN DIALOGUE ON A WHOLE RANGE OF DEFENSE ISSUES IS BASED SOLELY ON TREATING THOSE ISSUES "ON THEIR MERITS."

6. REGARDING PRIORITIES OF THE ROLES AND MISSIONS
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THE U.S. EXPECTS JAPAN TO PLAY BASED ON THE 1978 "U.S.-JAPAN DEFENSE GUIDELINES." THE DEPUTY SECRETARY SAID "THAT IS BASICALLY A DECISION FOR THE GOJ TO MAKE. WE HAD AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON ROLES AND MISSIONS. MY IMPRESSION IS THAT THE JDA HAS A VERY BALANCED PROGRAM THAT INCLUDES BOTH SUSTAINABILITY AND READINESS WITH A FAIR AMOUNT OF MODERNIZATION AS WELL. BUT IT'S NOT UP TO US TO SET PRIORITIES. THAT'S UP TO THEM TO DO."

7. WHEN ASKED IF THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION ENVISAGED ENCOURAGING JAPAN TO INCREASE ITS DEFENSE CAPABILITIES TO THE POINT THAT THE SOVIETS WOULD BE FORCED TO REDIRECT THEIR FORCES AWAY FROM THEIR CURRENT CONCENTRATION IN EUROPE AND THE MIDDLE EAST, CARLUCCI REPLIED, "NO. OUR PLANNING AND OUR DIALOGUE IS STRICTLY WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF JAPAN'S DEFENSE OF ITS OWN TERRITORY AND THE SURROUNDING SEAS."

8. DEPUTY SECRETARY CARLUCCI WHO ARRIVED IN JAPAN AFTER VISITING THE PHILIPPINES AND THAILAND, WILL DEPART TOMORROW FOR KOREA. HITCHCOCK

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